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The W. C. T. U. will meet Monday. February 16th, in the basement of the Christian church at 3 p. m. Every woman in Mexico invited to paid, by sending one dollar to paid, by sending one dollar

The temperance meeting held at the Baptist church February 1st was presided over by Rev. J. C. Arm. strong and addressed by Dr. Wayman. The next meeting will be held Publishers' Price. at the Christian church March 1st.

The object of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union is to educate public sentiment up to the standard of total abstinence, train the young, save the inebriate and secure the legal prohibition and complete banishment of the liquor traffic. This can never be accomplished by silent influence, but from pulpit, press and rostrum. Must the evils of intemperance be poured into the ears of an indifferent people and thus awaken them to their duties in this matter?

D. R. Locke, the Petroleum V. Nasby of the Toledo (O.) Blade, wields a trenchant pen in behalf of temperance. Of the liquor traffic he

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"Drunkenness means peculation, theft, robbery, ars n. forgery, mur-der, for it leads to all these crimes."

There is a very decided difference between the public sentiment of fifty years ago and now concerning the liquor traffic. Then it was not considered a very disreputable business to sell intoxicating liquors, but now public sentiment has decided, and Bank, Mexico, Mo. all men know, that the sale of alcohol is an abominable business. "Once our taverns had bars-they all had them; indeed, tavern and whiskey were nearly synonymous terms. Every public gathering had to be disgraced with rum. A man could without whiskey. It was thought to be indispensable in wet weather to keep a man dry; in dry weather, to prevent him from being too dry; in hot weather, to cool him, and in cool weather, to warm Has purchased John Bick's store, him! For wounds, bruises and snake bites, it was the only panacea. But the world advances. Alcoho has been convicted of all the crimes GROCERIES! known to history. It has been dismissed from the harvest a d public gathering; in the respectable it has no longer a place. It has been crowded out of the public walks, and elbowed Queensware, out of decent society. If it exists in connection with them, it is put off down in the cellar, or out of the hearing of respectable guests. If a Or, in fact, anything that is sold in man opens a saloon on the street, he puts a screen in the door, for the simple reason that it has become so disreputable to attend such places And defies competition in quality o that young men would not go there unless there was something to protect them from the public gaze. Temperance is becoming popular.-Teach- 32-tf

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